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In re Application of

Naoki TAKAHASHI, et a

Application No.: 09/970,08

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Examiner: Charlotte M. Baker

For: IMAGE READING APPARATUS AND PROCESSING APPARATUS

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

The fee has been calculated	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	24	24	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	9	4	5	\$200.00 =	\$1000.00
	·	Multiple dependent claims newly presented Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
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					\$0.00
			Total of Above Calculations		\$1000.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u> in the amount of \$1000.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.

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